

Docket No.: 1341.1030

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Ryota AKIYAMA, et al.

Serial No. 09/406,087

Group Art Unit: 2134

Confirmation No. 1217

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Examiner: Christopher Brown

For:

AUTHENTICATION SYSTEM, AUTHENTICATION METHOD, SIGNING APPARATUS, SIGNING METHOD, CERTIFYING APPARATUS, CERTIFYING METHOD, AND A COMPUTER-READABLE RECORDING MEDIUM WITH A PROGRAM MAKING A

COMPUTER EXECUTE THE METHOD RECORDED THEREIN

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed October 4, 2007, and having a period for response set to expire on January 4, 2008. A Petition for a two-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to March 4, 2008.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.